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## Bronzeville Week celebration set for August 5 – 12, 2017

The best the City of Milwaukee has to offer when it comes to culture, history, art, commerce, and entertainment will be celebrated **August 5 – 12, 2017** when the 5th annual **Bronzeville Week** is held, hosted by **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs** and **Friends of Bronzeville**.

The 2017 Bronzeville Week, a formal City of Milwaukee-sanctioned event and celebration, was **approved today** (**September 20**) by the full Common Council. Each August since its inception, Bronzeville Week has gained momentum and has attracted noticeably larger crowds to a series of performances and events, and Alderwoman Coggs said the celebration will again fill the Bronzeville district with music and culture next summer.

"The people of Milwaukee have truly embraced Bronzeville Week and have enjoyed its upbeat vibrancy, energy, and its wide mix of entertainment offerings, art, culture *and* opportunities for neighbors and the community to engage in healthy, fun, positive activities," she said. "I am looking forward to an exciting and engaging Bronzeville Week 2017 next August."

Bounded by Garfield Avenue to Center Street, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive to 7th Street, the Bronzeville Cultural and Entertainment District is wholly located in the 6th Aldermanic District.

The Bronzeville Cultural and Entertainment District is a City of Milwaukee redevelopment initiative inspired by Milwaukee's original Bronzeville, and it is striving to revitalize the area of Milwaukee where African-American culture has been a mainstay. The Bronzeville Redevelopment Plan seeks to create economic development in a predominantly African-American neighborhood in a way that recaptures the enthusiasm and attractiveness of the original Bronzeville District.